

VALUABLE ADDRESSES AT FARMERS' MEETING

INSTITUTE IS LARGELY ATTENDED AND PROGRAM VERY STRONG.

VARIOUS PHASES OF FARM LIFE

Are Treated in the Many Addresses by Those Who Have Made It a Special Study.

Franklin Grove, Dec. 12—Special —The second day of the farmers' institute was largely attended and much interest is being taken in all of the addresses and exhibits. The first day was a record breaker in point of attendance and the program with one exception was carried out as published. Abram Ackert, who was down on the program to deliver the address of welcome, was unable to be present owing to the board of supervisors being in session, and his place was ably filled by Prof. J. L. Hartwell of Dixon.

The principal address the first day was the one delivered by A. N. Johnson, chief engineer of the state highway commission, the subject of his address being "Roads and Bridges." Mr. Johnson's remarks were highly appreciated by the farmers and much good was derived therefrom. The speaker said that roads and bridges of the counties were not receiving the amount of attention they should, as they are very essential to the comfort of the country folk, and very necessary in moving farm products. Money spent for the improvement of roads is well expended.

J. L. Hartwell delivered an excellent address on "The Value of Spraying."

The exhibits are the best that have ever been offered at former institutes. Especially are the exhibits of pies, bread and cakes.

The evening session Wednesday was the most largely attended of any of the day, the town people being out in force to hear the program. Besides the music, which was much enjoyed, there were two addresses. The one by Miss Gibbs of the University of Illinois was upon "Some Textile Fabrics for the Home." The other address was by H. H. Carr upon "Farmers' Clubs."

This morning Prof. Fred R. Crane of the University of Illinois, spoke upon "Farm Machinery." He described the great improvements made in farming and the increased yield possible by the use of machinery, spoke of the experiments made at the state university and laid especial stress upon the care of machinery.

One of the valuable addresses of the session was that of James A. West, assistant state entomologist, who spoke upon "Insects Injurious to Corn." Every farmer of the country should have heard this address. The state experiment stations are doing much to help the farmer overcome the pests which periodically injure his crops, and a study of this question is invaluable to the farmer.

Ladies Serve Dinner.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church are serving dinners. Today they served a very fine chicken dinner, and it was well patronized.

The prizes will be awarded Friday afternoon, on which day the institute will close.

Dixon's delegation each day thus far during the session has been unusually large.

SHOW WELL PUT ON.

The production of "Shadows on the Hearth" given at the Dixon opera house last evening, was well presented by a company of capable actors. The cast was uniformly good and the audience, which was of fair size, enjoyed the play, especially as a change from the many chorus companies which have held the boards lately.

The next production at the local house will be "The Squawman," reported to be the finest play of the season. This will appear Thursday, Dec. 19th.

Mrs. Frank Kelly of Chicago was here yesterday on a visit with her friends.

THE ELGIN CASE IS PROGRESSING

WITNESSES BEING EXAMINED IN THE ARSON CASE AT FREEPORT.

Freeport, Dec. 12—Special —The case of the People vs. Elgin, now on trial in the circuit court here, is dragging along slowly. The state did not commence taking testimony until about 11 o'clock Wednesday morning. The first witness called by the state, Fred Scholl of Woosung, was on the stand until nearly 4 o'clock. But one more witness was examined Wednesday.

Today the state will get through with perhaps six or seven witnesses.

WILL MEET WITH RAILWAY COMPANY

CITY COUNCIL TO HAVE A CONFERENCE WITH THE OFFICERS TONIGHT.

HOPE TO REACH AN AGREEMENT

Vice President Clement C. Smith Will Be at Meeting—Amicable Settlement Is Sought.

The city dads and representatives of the S. D. & E. and the Lee County Lighting company will hold a conference this evening in the council rooms of the city hall to endeavor to arrive at a satisfactory adjustment of the differences between the two corporations and the city.

Since the city council gave notice to the two companies to live up to the terms of the franchise under which they are operating, there has been nothing done by the management of the railroad company to comply with the requirements of the franchise, which have as yet remained unfulfilled. Manager Kirk has left the city for a few days, and in his absence Clement C. Smith, who is vice president of the company and manager in the absence of Mr. Kirk, has affairs in charge.

It is conceded that a meeting of the council members with Mr. Smith will result in a better understanding between the warring factions, and may possibly result in an amicable settlement of the difficulties between them.

Attorney Dixon, of the street railway company, was this afternoon averse to saying anything further than that the meeting would be held, and he refrained from expressing an opinion in regard to the matter.

BASKETBALL FRIDAY.

The basketball game between the Sterling and Dixon Y. M. C. A. teams tomorrow evening at the local gymnasium will be well attended according to present indications, and it is probable that a larger crowd will witness this game than has witnessed any single game before in the history of the sport in this city. Preparations have been made to provide for seating a large number of people in the balcony overlooking the gymnasium floor, and everyone who attends will have a clear view of the action on the field below.

Light practice was taken yesterday and today in finishing up for the game, and Director Birch is satisfied that his athletes will carry away a victory from the Sterling crew. Armstrong has greatly improved his work at center, Drummond and Miller have rounded into excellent shape, and the work of the star, Harry McManus, is improving daily. There will be a good game presented tomorrow evening, as it is understood that Allen, the Sterling coach, has put special stress on the importance of winning this game, and the Sterling contingent will come up here expecting to carry away the palm.

The young ladies' degree team of the Dixon council, Knights and Ladies of Security, will give a dance in Macabee hall tomorrow evening, Friday, the 13th.

FEATURES OF THE DAIRY CONVENTION

THE MILK CONTEST AND BUTTER SCORING TEST ARRANGED FOR MEETING.

AT MARENGO JAN. 14, 15 AND 16

State Association Offers an Interesting Program for Annual Meeting.

The Illinois State Dairymen's association at Marengo, Jan. 14, 15 and 16, will have several distinctive features.

One of these will be a milk contest to be conducted by C. B. Lane, assistant chief of the dairy division, department of agriculture, Washington, D. C. The scoring in this test will be conducted by Mr. Lane Tuesday morning, the opening day of the convention, and in an address at the afternoon session Mr. Lane will show to the audience samples of good, bad and indifferent milk and give an address on "Lessons from the Milk Contest." Mr. Lane is giving his attention particularly to the milk supply and is conducting tests in all parts of the country.

There will be two classes in the milk contest, namely: Market milk and market cream. The scoring is done on points of flavor, composition, bacteria, acidity and appearance of package. The association will give satisfactory cash prizes in both classes and urge dairymen supplying city trade, who wish to know how their milk will score and to learn its defects if any and how to remedy them, to send their names to Secretary Geo. Caven, 154 Lake St., Chicago, for entry blanks.

Another feature and one particularly interesting to the buttermakers will be a scoring contest Tuesday morning, Jan. 14. The butter entered in the exhibit will be scored that morning in the presence of buttermakers who have butter in the exhibit will be permitted to contest for a tryer offered as a prize, the winner to be the one whose scores on the tubs of butter show the smallest variation from the scores of the judge. Only buttermakers who send butter to the convention can enter the test.

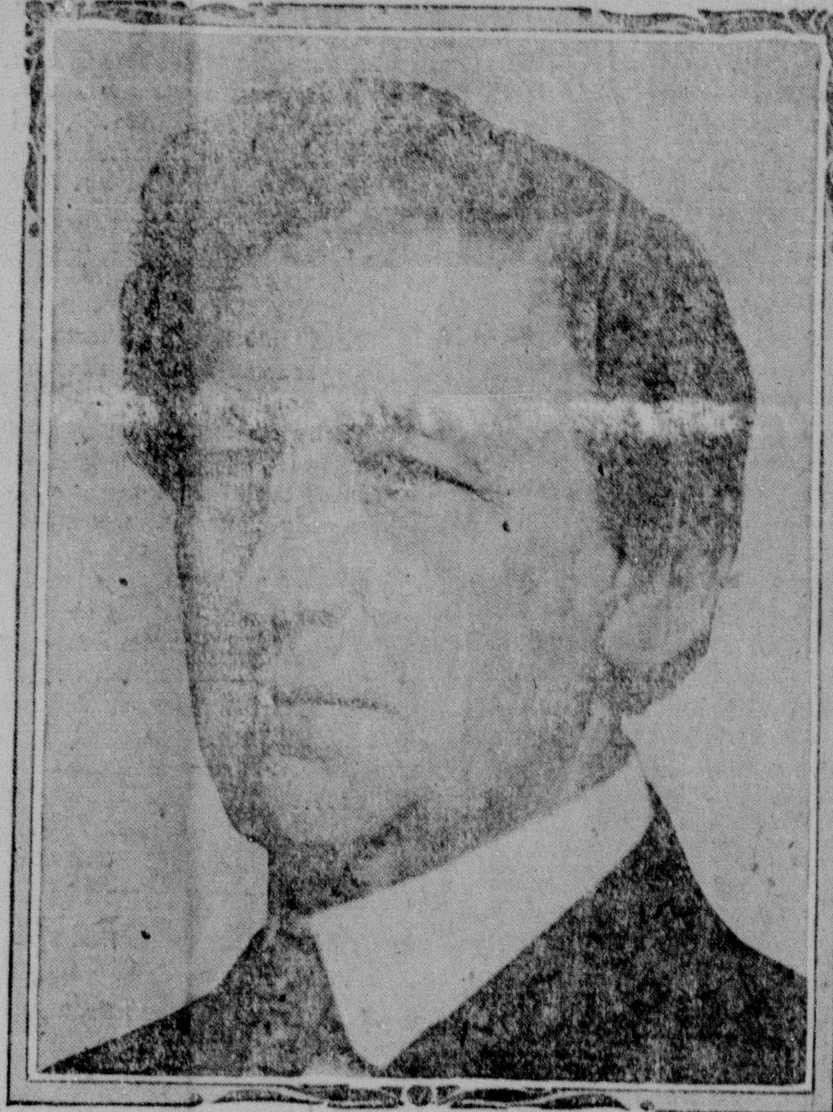
The convention proper will open on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 14, at 1:30 o'clock and a particular feature will be a banquet to be given Wednesday evening. The dinner will be served at 6 p. m. and immediately after the banquet there will be a program of addresses and musical numbers. The association hopes to have several prominent speakers on that evening.

The convention will close with the Thursday afternoon program.

The officers of the association are particularly anxious to make the milk contest a success and will give a cash prize of \$5 to the dairymen scoring first; \$3 to the second, \$2 to the third and \$1 to the fourth if a half dozen are entered. If a large number enter, the number and size of the prizes will be increased. All dairymen supplying milk or cream to city trade should be interested in this contest. If there are any defects they will be discovered and the remedy pointed out by the representatives of the dairy division who will write a letter to each exhibitor giving his criticisms and will answer any questions or give any information that any of the exhibitors may desire.

JUDGE LANDIS.

It is proposed to make Judge Kenesaw M. Landis of Chicago a candidate for vice president on the republican ticket with Taft. The trouble with the vice president is that he is like the fifth wheel to a coach. He is only put there to fill a possible emergency. Even Roosevelt, while vice president, was a nonentity and Fairbanks has been effectually canned since he took that high office. It is neither influential nor ornamental. It is not likely, therefore, that Landis would accept the place. He is a young man with his fortune all before him. To be vice president, however, is, except in the emergency of the death of the president, to be reduced to a nonentity.



WILL CARLETON.

It was a proud day for Will Carleton, the poet, when his old friends gathered from far and near to greet him at the Will Carleton home coming festival at Hillsdale, Mich., recently. The festival was the idea of Joseph W. Mauck, president of Hillsdale college, where Carleton took his degree in 1869, and there were exercises in the district school where he learned the three R's. The poet told all about the old days on his father's farm and described how the sight of the unfortunates passing by on their way to the almshouse not far away gave him the inspiration to write "Over the Hill to the Poorhouse." Mr. Carleton has lived for many years in New York, but still owns the old Carleton homestead farm some miles from Hillsdale. Mr. Carleton is editor of the magazine Everywhere.

MORE MONEY FOR DIXON POSTOFFICE

COL. LOWDEN INTRODUCES BILL INCREASING APPROPRIATION TO \$75,000.

THE FORMER INCREASE WAS LOST

The Present Bill Will Be Followed Through Both Houses and Money Will Be Forthcoming.

It appears that the increased appropriation for the new Dixon post-office building, so much talked about and which we all supposed had passed and become a law, seems to have been lost in the shuffle.

We understand that the bill passed, but no appropriation was made for the fund.

We now see that our member of congress, Colonel Lowden, on Dec. 5th, introduced the following bill, which was referred to the committee on public buildings and grounds:

A bill for a public building at Dixon, Illinois, and appropriating money therefor.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That the limit of cost for the erection of a public building at Dixon, Illinois, be increased from forty-five thousand dollars to seventy-five thousand dollars.

CHURCH MORTGAGE WAS BURNED

EXERCISES AT WEST SIDE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ARE LARGELY ATTENDED.

The burning of the mortgage of the Congregational church was accomplished last evening at the church in this city, in the presence of almost the entire congregation. Rev. Newell of Chicago, treasurer of the Congregational churches building society, was present with the mortgage, and upon being paid the amount of the face of the indebtedness, delivered the mortgage to the trustees of the church.

This was followed by the formal burning of the mortgage, accompanied by several talks, by Dr. Newell, Rev. Moore and members of the congregation. The church is now free from debt in every respect.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lamb left Dixon last evening for their future home in Spaulding, Neb.

I. C. DETECTIVES LOOKING FOR FENCE

BELIEVE GOODS STOLEN FROM CARS ARE BEING SOLD IN DUBUQUE.

THEFTS OCCUR IN FREEPORT

Officers of Road Are Alarmed at the Amount and Frequency of Thefts.

Dubuque, Ia., Dec. 12—W. F. Di-neen of Waterloo, Ia., special agent of the Illinois Central for the Omaha division, has been called to this city to assist in the running down of several thieves who have been operating in Freeport. He will work in conjunction with Agents Welch and Morris, of this division, in an effort to exterminate the gang who have been robbing the cars of the railroad. Already Morris and Welch have succeeded in running to earth a portion of this gang and their work has resulted in the arrest of four or five men who were plucked at Freeport one day last week.

But the gang was so large and had become so bold in their work that the head officials of the road felt that stringent means should be taken to break up this gang and save the property of shippers from the ravages of the thieves. According to information it is suspected that the thieves have a "fence" in this city through which they are disposing of the goods which they get from the cars. It is to ascertain the whereabouts of this fence and to arrest the perpetrators of the robberies that the extra special agent has been sent here.

Connahan-Ortgiesen Nuptials.

Frank C. Ortgiesen and Mrs. Eleanor B. Connahan were married this morning at ten o'clock at the Catholic parsonage by Father Foley. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a few friends of the couple, Ned J. Bradley attending the groom, the bridesmaid being Miss Lottie Pertinuous. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Ortgiesen left for Chicago on a wedding trip.

W. O. W. ELECTION TONIGHT

The annual election of officers of the Woodmen of the World will be held this evening.

SUPERVISORS HAD SHORT SESSION

BOARD ADJOURNED LATE THIS AFTERNOON UNTIL MEETING IN MARCH.

DID NOT SELECT GRAND JURY

Decided to Wait Till Next Meeting—Reports of County Officials Are Received.

The Lee county board of supervisors adjourned late this afternoon until the first week in March, at which time the grand jury for the April term of circuit court will be selected. The supervisors were of the opinion that that would give the sheriff plenty of time to serve the papers. At first it was the intention of the board to select this jury at the session of the board just adjourned.

The reports of the committees on the bridges in Willow Creek and Harmon townships were approved Wednesday afternoon.

The county's share of the Harmon bridge, of which the total cost was \$2,095.86, was \$866.93, and this amount was ordered paid. The Willow Creek bridge claim of \$890 was reported favorably by the committee in charge, and the amount was ordered drawn. John E. Moyer, chairman of the Grand Detour bridge committee, presented a claim for \$126.84 that amount being one-half of the expense of graveling, painting and repair work instituted on the north end of the Grand Detour bridge. The claim was presented by James Pankhurst, supervisor of Grand Detour township, and Mr. Moyer advised that the claim be allowed provided the claim of Lee county pending against Ogle county be satisfied by the latter.

Nothing of importance aside from the routine business was transacted at this session.

The reports of the county officials were approved and ordered placed on file.

The entire board went to Franklin Grove this afternoon to attend the farmers' institute.

MORRISON MEN ARE BANKRUPT

GEO. W. HOWE AND TWO SONS FILE PETITIONS AT FREEPORT.

Freeport, Ill., Dec. 12—George W. Howe and his two sons, Clarence J. Howe and Martin O. Howe, yesterday filed voluntary petitions in bankruptcy with Clerk C. J. Bentley of the federal court. The combined liabilities aggregate \$109,206.58, and their assets \$31,542.10. Mr. Howe and his two sons were associated in the business of buying and selling live stock, and resided at Morrison. Blodgett & Klordon of Morrison are their attorneys.

George W. Howe's schedule shows liabilities of \$69,947.97, and assets of \$25,073.10. There are about 70 creditors and the greater portion of his liabilities consist of mortgages, and notes. Clarence J. Howe's liabilities are \$7,920.91, and his assets are \$6,525. Martin O. Howe's liabilities are given as \$31,338.60 and his assets \$2,944.

The Howe's go into bankruptcy in order that their creditors may have full fairness in settlement of their accounts.

They were adjudged bankrupt yesterday and it was decided that the first meeting of the creditors will be held at Morrison on Saturday, Dec. 28, at eleven o'clock, at which time it is expected that the creditors will ask that a receiver be appointed.

LOOKING FOR MURDERER.

Chief Woodyatt has received a communication from the sheriff of Waukesha, Wis., to look out for one Jas. W. Baker, who is wanted in that county for murder.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Frank G. Ortgiesen, Dixon 32
Mrs. Eleanor B. Connahan, Amboy 36

AFTER DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL MEET

DENVER AND LOUISVILLE LEADING WITH CHICAGO A DARK HORSE.

MRS. LONGWORTH UNDER KNIFE

Has Successful Operation for Appendicitis at White House—Foreign News.

Washington, Dec. 12—Special —Denver and Louisville are the leading candidates before the democratic national committee today for the entertainment of the national convention next year, with Chicago as a strong dark horse.

MRS. LONGWORTH UNDERGOES OPERATION

Washington, Dec. 12—Special —Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, eldest daughter of President Roosevelt, was successfully operated upon at the White House this morning for appendicitis.

REVOLUTIONISTS ARE ASSASSINATED

Sophia, Dec. 12—Special —Boris Sarafoff, the Macedonian revolutionary leader, was assassinated this morning together with another chief named Garvanoff.

LOSES FOOT IN CORN SHREDDER

WILLIAM McDONALD OF WINNEBAGO IS MAINED FOR LIFE.

Winnebago, Dec. 12—William McDonald had his right foot torn off in a corn shredder accident on the farm of M. F. Sullivan, three miles west of this village on yesterday afternoon.

McDonald was a member of the crew operating the Silas Burdick shredder when he suffered the mishap that will make him a cripple for life and ultimately may cause his death. The young man had climbed to the top of the machine to clear away some stalks that had become caught in the teeth of the shredder just a moment before. He attempted to kick them off as he had done without injury to himself hundreds of times before, but he was not quick enough this time and his shoe was caught by the teeth of the ponderous machine and his foot slowly drawn into its vicious jaws.

The predicament of McDonald was noticed by others working about the machine, but not in time to save him from the loss of the foot. The member was chewed off above the ankle and went through the machine the pieces later being found in the loft of the barn. The leg was crushed above the point where the foot was severed.

McDonald was a steady young man of about 25 years of age and the dreadful misfortune is deplored by his fellow workmen and friends.

Chicago, Dec. 12—Fair to day; probably showers or snow; flurries tomorrow; slowly rising temperature; fresh south-east winds.

Tonight—

Dr. Newell Lecture—Congregational Church.

Browning Lecture—At People's Church.

W. R. C.—15th Anniversary.

Friendship Lodge—Special.

Mystic Workers—Election.

W. O. W.—Election.

City Council—Special.

Tomorrow—

Candlelighters—Mrs. Charles Stille.

People's Aid Society—Mrs. Newton.

BOTH WALKED FROM DIXON TO ASHTON

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Messer, Each shod in a pair of Watson-Plummer high grade shoes, walked from Dixon to Ashton Wednesday morning and returned on the afternoon train.

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Two Doors West of Hospital

Walks having been constructed by the owners of the abutting property on the north side of East Seventh street from the east line of Crawford avenue to the west line of Dixon avenue, and on the south side of Second street from the west line of Grant avenue to the east line of Sherman avenue; and on the north side of Second street from a point 150 feet west of Grant avenue to the east line of Sherman avenue, and on the west side of Sherman avenue from a point 150 feet north of Fourth street to a point 205 feet north of Fourth street, and on the west side of Grant avenue from the south line of Second street to a point 150 feet south of Second street, and on the north side of East Fourth street from the west line of Ottawa avenue to a point 135 feet westerly therefrom, and on the south side of East Fourth street from a point 150 feet west of Crawford avenue to the east line of Ottawa avenue, and on the east side of Monroe avenue from a point 50 feet north of Fifth street to the south line of Fourth street, and on the south side of River street from the west line of Galena avenue to a point 75 feet westerly therefrom, and on the west side of Dement avenue from the north line of East Fifth street to a point 18.5 feet northerly therefrom, and on the northerly side of Eleventh street from the westerly line of Highland avenue to a point 140 feet westerly therefrom, and on the southerly side of Eleventh street from the westerly line of Highland avenue to a point 150 feet westerly therefrom; and on the north side of

A. E. Rickardson of Aurora spent yesterday here with friends.

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Whittier, the Quaker Poet

LAUREATE OF FREEDOM WHOM NEW ENGLAND WILL
HONOR BY CELEBRATING THE HUNDREDTH
ANNIVERSARY OF HIS BIRTH.

One of America's Best Beloved Bards, Who Kept Close to
Humanity's Heart In Most of His Writings—Amesbury,
Mass., His Home Town, to Be Central Piece in
the Centennial Programme.

By ROBERTUS LOVE.

WHITTIER, the Quaker poet—somehow it seems that of all America's bards he is the best beloved. That may be due to the fact that he, of all our elder group of poets, kept closest to the heart of humanity in most of his writings. Only fifteen years ago he died, but it is a hundred years Dec. 17 since his birth. For well nigh eighty-five years the poet dwelt in his native New England, never betaking himself to other parts of the world, and now he sleeps within the bosom of his own adored Massachusetts. The other New England poets were globe trotters from time to time. Longfellow, Emerson, Lowell, Dr. Holmes, all did the grand tour of Europe, some of them going abroad several times. Bryant spent the greater part of his life an exile from New England, as a New York newspaper editor. But John Greenleaf Whittier was thoroughly a home man, despite his lifelong bachelorhood.

It was in Amesbury, Mass., that Whittier spent most of his life. He lived in that town for fifty-six years. Though several other New England places claim him as a resident for briefer periods, Amesbury must be known always as the poet's home, and it is fitting that the people of that city should celebrate his centenary by dedicating a Whittier memorial. But that is only the central piece in the centennial programme. In Haverhill, Mass.,

read these treasures. By them he was inspired to be a poet himself. From time to time he tried his hand at versifying, and one day his admiring sister, feeling that Greenleaf was a genius and the world should become acquainted with the interesting fact, surreptitiously sent one of his poems to the Newburyport Free Press. Greenleaf, who was still under eighteen, was startled one day on opening the paper left by a carrier to find "The Exile's Departure," his own poem, printed therein. He was a proud lad, but not too proud to return to his customary work in the field. Corn must be hoed, though fame be waiting in the fence corner.

In a few days Greenleaf was started again. This time his hair almost stood erect upon his head. He was a bashful boy, a shy, diddend country greenhorn. We cannot wonder, then, at his being startled when William Lloyd Garrison, editor of the paper which had contained his poem, hopped over the fence and came down the corn rows to introduce himself to the barefooted boy in homespun garb, to whom a stranger in store clothes was a phenomenon and the editor of that particular paper a high priest of the Sacred Temple of Awe.

The upshot was that Garrison induced Greenleaf to go about educating himself, so that he could write better poetry. Young Whittier entered the Haverhill academy, paying for

him to give up this post after eighteen months, and he returned to the farm. About this time the old family doctor looked him over, admonished him to take care of himself and said to a third party:

"Greenleaf is not long for this world. He will never pass his forties."

The grass of fifty years was green on the anxious old doctor's grave before his patient, long a famous poet, lacking just a few months of eighty-five years in this world, passed on.

The Hartford sweetheart was named Cornelia Russ. She was seventeen and Whittier twenty-four when they met and parted. It is said that they would have been married but for the girl's adherence to the stern creed of Calvin. This sweetheart died unmarried about eleven years afterward. Whittier never spoke of her nor of his earlier love. In all his life he wrote but one or two "love poems."

Whittier worked on the farm until his father's death in 1836, when he sold the place and moved to Amesbury. In the meantime he assisted in editing the Haverhill Gazette. He was also for a time editor of a periodical called the Manufacturer, worked for some months in New York city as secretary of the Antislavery society and contributed regularly to a Philadelphia journal.

Laureate of Freedom.

It is almost impossible to believe that there was a period in Whittier's life when in most parts of the country his name was practically "a hissing and a byword." This was due to his antislavery poems at a time when the abolition movement had few supporters. Whittier was vindicated by events, but even without that vindication the great bulk of his gentler verse would have given him universal esteem. The year before he died a critic wrote:

"Whittier is above all the laureate of freedom, and if any one group or division of his poems were to be chosen as surer than the rest to stand for his fame against the wastes of time such triumphant immortality would probably be predicted for those songs on slavery, at once so fiery in their indignation and scorn, so rich in eloquence, so thrilling in hopeful aspiration, so sweet in pathos and humanity."

Lovers of Whittier are entitled to their own view as to this estimate. It is quite probable, however, that the average reader will prefer "Maud Muller," who raked the meadows sweet with hay as the judge came riding by, or "Barbara Frietchie," who flaunted from her window her country's flag while "up the street came the rebel tread, Stonewall Jackson riding ahead," or a devotional poem like "The Eternal Goodness," with its simple, childlike trust:

I know not where his islands lift
Their fringed palms in air.
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond his love and care.

An American Classic.

"Snow-Bound" of course compels mention among the immortal few of Whittier's poems that were not born to die. This idyl of New England rural home life stands apart in English literature. It is not a stirring epic to move nations, but just a homely, heartfelt record of a sane and wholesome phase of life that has departed. Its appeal is not to the intellect, but straight to the heart. In these days of overgrown cities, clanging interurban trolleys, farmhouse telephones, automobiles in the barnyard shed or on the fine turnpike that passes by the gate this picture of New England life as it was lived a hundred years ago, with the quaint and kindly comments of the Quaker poet, is just as surely one of the American classics as is Shelley's "Adonais," so different in theme and treatment, a part of the high glory of English song.

It may startle the student of poetry to find the name of Shelley mentioned with that of Whittier even in contrast. Yet between these two poets there was a certain analogy which should not be overlooked. Shelley in his brief time was the British bard of protest. Casting aside all religious teaching, he sounded a high and piercing note against human injustice. Whittier, while retaining his early religious impressions, sounded a note not less high and piercing against the one form of human injustice which in his first period raised its head for attack.

"He is eminently a poet of humanity—the champion of the oppressed, the leader of the aspiring, the comforter of the afflicted, the lover of the lowly," says the critic quoted earlier. "Above all, the dominant note in Whittier's poetry is that of sweet, simple, religious faith. No other great poet of our century has written precisely in this strain. How many a line of his rushes to the memory, pure and grateful as a draft from a mountain spring! Radiant, sunny, trustful without supplication and devout without cant, in their unaffected grace they sing themselves into every heart not totally devoid of susceptibility to the religious sentiment."

In view of the Quaker poet's exemplary life and his writings, "trustful without supplication and devout without cant," it is interesting to learn that his publishers announce a constantly increasing demand for his works. Whittier, however, was one poet who was not compelled to wait until after death for recognition of a peculiar sort. His poems sold well during his lifetime, particularly after the publication of his "Snow-Bound" in 1855. By wise investments his holdings were increased, so that he left a fortune of nearly a quarter of a million dollars.

And yet didn't we just hear the complaint that "poetry doesn't pay?"

His Aim.

City Editor—How did you happen to murder the king's English so?
Reporter—Well, I was just trying to kill space.—Kansas City Times.

LOVE IS HER UNDOING

Leads Her to Elope with an Unworthy Man, Now in the Penitentiary.

IS CAST OFF BY HER FAMILY

Her Baby Starving, She Drowns the Infant and Is Under Arrest—Her Pitiful Story.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Frances Cooper, aged 18 years, has confessed the murder of her 10 months' old baby. Her husband, Stephen Cooper, was sent to the penitentiary recently. Thrown upon her own resources, she says, she tried to get employment for herself and a home for her child, but the stigma of relationship to a convict caused her to lose one place after another until in desperation and through love for the child she killed it and afterward attempted suicide by drowning in a lonely spot on the bank of a stream in Bartholomew county, seven miles from Columbus, where she left her baby's body in the creek.

Men Arrested as Implicated.

The finding of the child's body recalled the recent visit of Mrs. Cooper and led to her identification and confession. A dispatch from Columbus, Ind., says that Clifford Groves and William Kohlmeier have been arrested there on suspicion of complicity in the murder of the Cooper child. The mother had been seen with the men frequently and on the day the babe is supposed to have been killed she was with them. Mrs. Cooper says these men are innocent of wrong-doing and that they knew nothing of her intentions to drown her baby.

Sequel of an Elopement.

The young woman was formerly Frances Foxworthy and she lived in Edinburg, Ind., when she eloped with Stephen Cooper four years ago, and when she was less than 15 years old. The man is 37 years old. The woman said her family spurned her husband and that they refused to take care of her when Cooper was sentenced on the charge of larceny.

Baby Was Starving to Death.

"My baby was slowly starving to death and I could not get it food, and I yielded to the devil's voice and drowned it," declared Mrs. Cooper, as she sat in the office of Acting Captain Sandmann, at the police station and related the story of how she killed her child. When the policemen entered the house where she was staying to arrest Mrs. Cooper, who had been roused from bed, sat up and exclaimed: "My God they have come for me."

WIFE SUPPLIES THE CUTICLE

To Save Her Husband's Life She Parts with Large Patches from Her Arms.

Marion, Ind., Dec. 12.—In effort to save the life of her husband, Mrs. Geo. Sullivan, of Fairmount, has submitted to the operation of having skin from her body grafted on the wounds of her husband, who is in a critical condition at the Marion hospital from burns suffered by electric shock. A few weeks ago Sullivan, an engineer for the Indiana Union Traction company at its sub-station in Lafayette, was severely shocked while oiling the machinery at the station.

Enough volts of electricity passed through his body to kill a dozen men, but the engineer, terribly burned about the head and back, lived. His wounds have refused to heal under treatment and skin grafting was resorted to. Large patches of skin were removed from the arms of Mrs. Sullivan.

Republican State Committee.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12.—At the meeting of the Republican state committee, although all the district committeemen were not present all the districts were represented, and during the short time it was in session the committee transacted considerable business. The committee decided to have the election of the precinct committeemen on Jan. 10 and 11, and on Jan. 13 the county committees will be organized. The district conventions will be held Jan. 11, and the reorganization of the state committee was fixed for Jan. 16, the day when the Republican Editorial association will meet in this city.

Big Earner Dies in Want.

Hartford City, Ind., Dec. 12.—Steven Zeilars, 51 years old, in his day the champion window glass blower and a noted strong man, who in his career averaged as high as \$37.50 for seven hours' work, died in want, misery and alone in the infirmary of this county. He was one of the best-known window glass workers in the United States.

Purdue to Teach Baking.

Lafayette, Ind., Dec. 12.—A college course in scientific baking, the first in the United States will probably be given at Purdue university. A conference was held between President Winthrop E. Stone, of the university, and master bakers from six states. The project has been under consideration for several years.

Alleged Bad Man to Surrender.

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 12.—Sheriff Horsley and deputies have abandoned the search for Lawey, the saloonkeeper at Lewis who shot at Deputy Sheriff Lidster when he tried to serve a warrant on Lawey. Word has been received from Lawey that he proposes to come here, accompanied by his brother, and surrender.

HARMON PLEADED WITH DOWD BRIDGE

BETTER THAN SPECIFICATIONS AND A CREDIT TO THE BUILDERS.

CORN IS IN BAD CONDITION

December Road Construction Objected to—General News of the Village.

Harmon, Ill., Dec. 12.—Today marks the opening of traffic of the best bridge ever erected in Harmon township, located a mile and three-quarters north of Harmon and known as the Dowd bridge.

A joint committee composed of Supervisors Dunn, Sullivan and Cook and the Harmon highway commissioners, Messrs. Mannion, Scanlan and Fitzsimmons, met Monday and examined the concrete work which was completed on the 27th ult., and the same was accepted. So well was the concrete work done, even better than the specifications called for, that the penalty of five dollars a day for failure to complete the job by the 20th of November was not exacted.

The erection of the steel work finished yesterday and the laying of a temporary plank floor was also done yesterday. The entire cost of the steel superstructure will not be paid for until next spring when the concrete floor called for in the plans will be constructed.

The steel work by the Billmire Bridge and Iron company is perfectly satisfactory, as it exceeds in weight and strength that called for in the plans and specifications prepared by the state highway commission.

And the people here are more than satisfied with the benefit derived from this state institution, and feel that the township has been saved at least \$500 in the cost of the erection of this one bridge, besides having the satisfaction of owning a structure that will not be a constant expense for repairs.

Corn Nearly All Shucked.

Considerable corn is coming to market this week, and a great deal more will be dumped on the market as soon as there is a freeze.

A majority of the farmers have this year's crop in the crib and the condition of the product is so poor being soggy and some of it moulding on the stalk, that many farmers will be compelled to sell their entire crop at once to save a loss from rotting. Very little of the corn now being husked could be shelled and a quantity placed in an ordinary crib now would rot before two months had passed, so the first hard freeze will result in a large amount being thrown on the market.

December Road Construction.

A piece of road traveled by one of the rural carriers has been worked during the present week. This work so far as the passability of the highway is concerned, will be a detriment to same for at least seven months to come, as it cannot possibly be made smooth during the winter and spring, and its users have a kick coming.

Sunday Church Services.

The subject of Rev. Willsted's discourse Sunday morning will be "Consecration," the topic for the evening service will be "Religious Railroad." Besides the preaching, there will be good music provided, among other things being a solo by Miss Purcell.

Rev. Willsted has aroused considerable interest in church affairs since his residence here, as is evidenced by the greatly increased attendance at each service, better music and more of it, and six conversions during the past two weeks.

A series of revival meetings to commence during the early part of next month is contemplated in which several preachers of note will participate.

Personal Mention.

Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Parker of Sterling were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Long.

Father Smith was a Dixon visitor Monday.

William Brown of the Sterling office of the Burlington was a Harmon visitor between trains Tuesday evening.

T. M. Jenkins of LaMoille is here on business since Tuesday.

Thomas P. Long is in Dixon attending the semi-annual meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

Mrs. B. F. Swab and Roy Swab are Dixon business visitors today.

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O. Compton was in Sterling yesterday on business.

The Woodmen of Harmon will hold their annual election of officers Saturday evening. All members are expected to attend.

Harry Warner and Henry Geldean, having decided to dissolve partnership in the farming business, will dispose of their personal property at public sale Dec. 24.

Contractor Stultz was yesterday and today trying to extract the five inch casing from the coal prospect hole recently sunk, but is experiencing considerable difficulty.

Thomas J. Ryan is excavating for a cellar under his place of business.

Do you realize that you have 1 ten days in which to buy those Christmas presents?

ADVERTISED MAIL.

Mail matter advertised at Dixon, Ill., Dec. 9, 1907:

LETTERS—Cora and Myrtle Cox well, E. H. Collins, Fred Creg, J. S. Brandt, Miss Lena Ahrend (2), A. J. Denan, Miss Erma Elcholtz, James Flick, Eddie Emory, Wm. Froude, M. J. Hall, Edgar Griffin, Miss D. H. Kessler, Arthur McCrystal (2), Louisa McCarty, Mrs. W. P. Lierow, Corliss B. Lour, Joe Murphy, Fred C. Oiler, F. C. Price, Arval Senn (2), Miss Renie, Mrs. Bridget Sheridan, Grant Smith, Miss Anna Stitzel, E. W. Scott, Miss Katie Stott, Robert Vestaa, Bennie Hatcher, Fred Thomas.

FOREIGN LETTERS—Dusanu Ilie, Nicolai Mercer, Gheroghe Sacelean, Boris Hanasoff Bolgar, Alexander Histooff Bulgar, Nicolae Marcu, Mareg Neanul.

POSTAL CARDS—Geo. Binder, D. Dunn, Philip Binder, James Black, Jas. H. Armstrong & Son, W. E. Arth, Rev. C. Fleckinger, Mrs. Harry Hartman, D. H. Hartzell, Harry Hartman, W. Levermore, Mrs. J. Hamilton, Ed. Henen, Mrs. Hiram Henry, W. J. Henning, C. H. Guyn, Charlie Guire, W. J. Klossman, Bruce Kilnesmidt, Pally Lamb, Miss Theo. McLin, Mrs. T. E. Orr, Fred Osborne, J. D. Raikes, Miss Stella Trout, Miss Beanie Shaffer, Miss Anna Rosa, Walter Stool, J. W. Ware, A. E. Walters, Wilson White.

EAST PAWPAW.

East Pawpaw, Dec. 11.—Dave Jamerson from Amboy is here visiting at the home of Reuben Firkins.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Rosette were called to Peoria Thursday morning by the illness of Mrs. Rosette's father, Mr. Stafford.

Miss Mabel Anderson, who has been in Leland for some time, is expected home in a few days.

Mrs. Helen Avery is spending a few days with her son Artair and wife near Leland.

Mrs. Stewart from Dakota, who has been visiting her father and sisters, John Kirk and daughters, for the past two months, returned to her home Monday morning. Her nephew, Ed Kirk, accompanied her as far as Sterling.

Will Quinn has been very sick for the past week.

Miss Iva Firkins, who is teaching school near Hinckley, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Firkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Sterns from Greentown spent Sunday with Mrs. Sterns' parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Demming.

Mrs. S. C. Valentine received the sad news of the death of her sister in California.

Mrs. Fannie McCartney of California is here visiting her son, Pearl Hogue.

Mrs. John Frazer is entertaining her sister from Chicago.

B. J. Valentine was a city visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. George Mittan and John Bushel and family were guests of Clay Avery and family Sunday.

Rev. Engler from Pawpaw called on friends here Monday.

A Christmas entertainment is being arranged for, to be held in our church Monday evening, December 23rd. All are cordially invited to attend.

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The meaning of religion is a rule of life; it is an obligation to do well; if that rule, that obligation, is not seen, your thousand texts will be to you like the thousand lanterns to the blind man.

FARM DISTILLERIES.

Since September 1 the farmers of this country have been at liberty to manufacture alcohol on their own premises, in quantities not exceeding one hundred gallons daily, without paying any revenue tax on it, provided that the fluid is so treated that it is rendered unfit for use as a beverage. So far as we are aware, no use is yet being made of the privilege, doubtless because its value is not yet apparent. The chief, if not the sole, incentive to attempting distillation on the farm is a desire to secure a cheap source of power for certain kinds of work. Farmers who drive machines with gasoline engines therefore, would naturally be the first to try to produce alcohol, but apparently they are not convinced that it is worth while at present. However, the principal trouble is that farmers do not know how to run a distillery, and they lack the worm.

WILL LECTURE ON

"ROBERT BROWNING"

The object of the mid-week lectures at the People's church, during the last eighteen months, has been to study the great English-speaking writers with particular reference to their attitude toward the Christian religion. So far the writers studied have illustrated various aspects of negation, hesitation, or silence. Lest anyone should think English literature skeptical, or non-Christian, it is proposed to take up this winter the great chorus of Faith, beginning with Robert Browning. The rest of December, and perhaps the whole of January, will be devoted to Browning. The lecture this evening will be upon the "Life of Browning." The hour is 8 o'clock.

IMPLEMENT HOUSE

LOSSES BY FIRE

The David Bradley & Co. implement house at Council Bluffs, Ia., burned down last Friday night, the loss being two hundred and fifty thousand dollars and the insurance was one hundred and fifty thousand. E. H. Merrimam, a brother-in-law of Edward Benjamin of this city, is vice president and manager of the company. It is thought that the fire originated in a shed or warehouse, and that tramps in some way set it on fire. After the adjustment is made by the insurance company it will be decided then whether the building will be rebuilt.

CARELESS HUNTERS

TO BE PROSECUTED

Sterling Gazette: Farmers residing south of the river have become tired of having their lands invaded by careless hunters. One man had a steer shot a short time ago and many times, they say, they have had poultry, pigs and sheep killed or injured. Shooting at random has also been a menace to the life of the people. So to put a stop to the hunting on their lands about twenty of the south side farmers have gathered and have signed an agreement to the effect that all trespassing of this kind is forbidden and violations will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

WORK OF A DAY IN CONGRESS.

(Wednesday, Dec. 11, 1907.)

Senate.

The maiden speech of Senator Jeff Davis of Arkansas, bitterly denouncing trusts and urging the passing of his bill to do away with them, was the principal event in today's session of the senate. Several bills were introduced, and after a brief executive session adjournment until tomorrow was taken at 2:10 p. m.

The house was not in session today.

HARD LINES FOR STREET CAR MAN

MICHAEL WRITES TO BROTHER CONCERNING HIS JOB AS MOTORMAN.

THE BOOK OF RULES IS A POSER

Was Handy With Transfers But That Did Not Satisfy the Company.

Dear Brother Patrick:

When I left ye and the ould folks at home in dear old Erin to travel over to this country it was without even the slightest idea that I wuz to see phat Ol've seen and hear phat Ol've heard in this glorious land av the so-called free. Ye raymimber Pat av ye're tellin' me to make a study av conditions av life in these United States av America that ye might better judge a vthe fazibility of shindin the ould folks over here? Well, Patrick, Ol've made that study, and ol find that there are no conditions of living here at all, at all. It's all wan condition, sir, that Ol've seen and that condition is a harrow wan at its best. You live here on condition that some wan don't bate ye're blocc off afore ye have lived ye're allotted toime.

But 'tis not that which is worryin me. Ol stopped for a while in Shee-cago on my way to this place, bein' compelled to make the shop owin' to the lack of funds to kape me goin'. While in that city I was hearin' dreadful tales av the traction problem which cannot be solved by the ordinary course av arithmetic as we understand the term. The problem is this. Will we or will we not have enough cars to carry us all whin we want to go home. The question was too vexin' for wan who does not understand such matters, Patrick, so I lift it to the good judgment of the people av the big town an' came out here where Ol thought there wud be no such problems. Be the saints, Patrick, ye wudn't think it, but they have the same boind av a problem here, only it's more difficult av solution.

Eddie Kirrak owns the street rail way out here an' he owns the gas plant an' the electric light plant, besides which he is rapped to own nearly all av the town.

In order to make a corriet study of the traction problem as it exists in this city I engaged as motorman on wan av the cars av the company. The first day Ol was on a guy wid a nearsham polie an' a funny smolle came to me and he says, says he, do Ol be the new motorman, an' I sez that's me an' he says do ye be afther understandin' how to collect th' fares? Is it fares Ol'm afther? says Ol. It is, says he, an' he says, do ye be lookin' into yer book av rules an' findin' how to collect the same.

Patrick, Ol studied that book fur a sphace of four hours whin I thought Ol was competent to collect fares from me station at th' frunt ind av the contrivances they calls cars.

Th' furrst thrip out av the barns in goin' up Collidge avenoo, a lady steps to the front av the car and sthicks a foive dollar bill tru' th' little shlide av the dure. Accordin' to th' rules there' wur no provisions for ennythin loike that so Ol applied rule sivin section twilve, which says "when a passenger hands money to motorman he shall give change."

Patrick, Ol had no change, at least Ol had not enough fur thot foive dollar willyum, an' Ol used the judgment that has made me famus. Ol had transfers, an' transfers manes change, so Ol gave the lady a transfer an' put her off at the next corner.

She identified me thot night at th' car barruns, an' since th' identification Ol have bin out av a job.

Your Brother Michael.

CITY TREASURER

RECEIVES \$4,140.46

City Clerk Blake Grover today turned over to City Treasurer C. H. Gray \$4,140.46, the amount of money collected at the clerk's office during the time from November 1 to December 10.

FRANK DERR

WAS BADLY SCALDED

Mrs. Estella Derr, 1321 Second street, this city, was called to Waukegan this morning by a telegram announcing a serious injury to her son, Frank Derr, formerly of this city. The young man is employed in a factory in Waukegan and yesterday had the misfortune to be scalded from his hips downward. His condition is precarious.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS FROM OUR EXCHANGES

The agricultural department has announced that the newly seeded area of winter wheat is estimated at 1:9 per cent less than the area sown in the fall of 1906—equivalent to a decrease of 956,000 and a total acreage of 31,069,000.

The condition of winter wheat on December 1 was 91.1 as compared with 94.1 on December 1, 1906; 94.1 at the corresponding date in 1905 and a ten year average of 92.1.

An attempt was made to wreck a T. P. & W. passenger train at West Mapleton by throwing a switch. Engineer Charles Applegreen had both legs broken and Fireman Lewis suffered a broken nose and other injuries, but the passengers were not injured, although considerably shaken up. That it was a deliberate attempt to wreck the train is believed because another train had passed in safety over the track just a few minutes before.

Edward Cackley of Clinton, Ill., does not care to risk another suit for gambling carried on in his building, and so has settled the suit of James Fitzgerald against C. D. Nelson by paying \$1,500 to the complainant. In a recent suit judgment was secured against a gambler which will constitute a lien of about \$3,400 on the Cackley building.

Thomas E. Morris and Miss Mollie Gaston of Weston, West Virginia, were so anxious to get married that they did not stop to get out of the cab in which they were riding to church and had the ceremony performed while they waited in the cab.

A terrific electrical storm swept over Litchfield, Ill., Monday and the lightning struck the residences of John Dobson and John T. Moss, and the barn belonging to Alderman A. Blackwelder was struck and a valuable horse killed.

Mrs. Sandusky Aston of Atlanta, has sued her husband, Thomas Aston, for divorce. She asks the custody of their eight year old child and a part of the \$15,000 worth of property owned by her husband. She alleges cruelty and non support.

The four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Scrant of East St. Louis was burned to death from a fire which was started by a six year old boy playfully holding a lighted match under the girl's skirts.

William Moran died at Fairbury, Ill., a few hours after his wife, and both will be buried in the same grave. They were pioneer residents of that city and were married over 53 years.

Howard T. Keltie, alderman of the Seventh ward at Joliet, and a prominent man in that city, has disappeared from his home. He transferred all his property to his wife before he left.

Benjamin F. Bowers of Troy, O., after examining the exhumed remains of the man killed at Leray, identified them as those of his brother.

Thomas Rowley, a wealthy farmer was struck by an Illinois Central train at Decatur and killed.

The Freeport papers say that a rare collection of pocket books is awaiting the owners of them at the police station, having been picked up on the streets and in the opera house and court house, where pick pockets reaped a rich harvest at the Bryan meeting. The pickpockets would take the money from the pocket books and then throw them away.

A new windmill pump is among the latest inventions. The elevator is so designed that there is only a rotary motion, avoiding the jerk of the up and down motion. The principal involved is that of the Archimedes screw and may be better explained by saying that it consists of an augur, like that used by carpenters, within a pipe which it closely fits. The mill turns the augur which raises the water to the top of the pipe as a carpenter's augur raises the chips. The augur in this case is fastened to the pipe and both augur and pipe turn while the lower part of the augur and pipe is incased in a terminal bearing which enables the water to be taken up by scoops.

Rock Island county's farmers' institute will be held at Taylor Ridge January 9 and 10.

Incidentally the first gun was fired in the local option fight at Boone county Sunday at Belvidere when Marie Brehm, formerly at the head of the W. C. T. U. of the state, but now connected with the temperance work of the Presbyterian church, spoke at six of Belvidere's churches on the temperance question.

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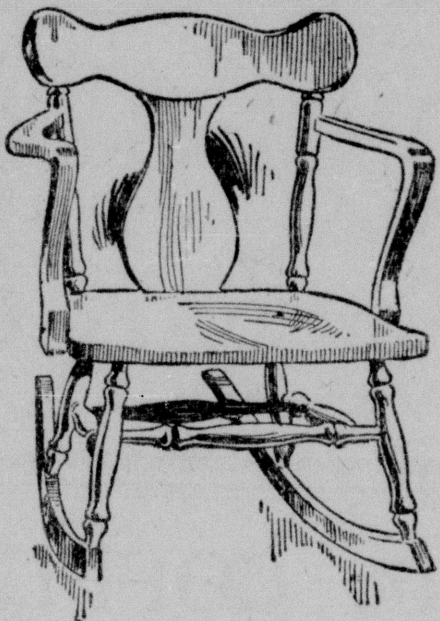
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Geo. J. Reed
112 East First St.

DEMENT TOWN DOINGS

The O. & O. Rooters association are preparing to enjoy a banquet on Saturday evening in case they are successful in the contest with the Sterling team at the Y. M. C. A. "Big Mary" Green tells us that the association has put in orders to Peter McCoy for a new set of horse's lungs for each member. It is probably the intention of the club to say nay (neigh) to the Sterling basketball team.

7:30 a. m.—About the same. Another bright day has dawned upon us.

Although it appeared a little stormy later in the day.

As a hero Ross Davis is the logical candidate for all Carnegie medals in the country. Although dangerously ill he has stuck to his post through trying and adverse circumstances. All bets are off on that puzzle contest. We find the circumstances weren't as represented.

A young man who used to work for the Lee County Lighting company is afflicted with a trifling modification in his manner of speech, being inclined to forget his "r's." In telling of an accident which happened to him recently he spoke thusly: "As I stepped upon the frozen ice, I slipped, and tumbled a complete chole in the air. Upon reaching the ground every part of me was in the air except my eah, and my eah was on the ground." What the gentleman meant to say was that he lit on his ear.

Friends of a young barber of this city are gleefully telling of an experience of his last night, in which he was mauled and hammered, then chased and knocked down by a lady whom he familiarly slapped on the back. The little shaver is a pretty handy man at that.

Mrs. Depot Avenue—What do you intend to give your husband for a Christmas present?

Mrs. Peoria Avenue—Nothing! He says that he would prefer to select the cigars himself.

SPORTING NOTES.

GOODMAN-MILLER FIGHT ENDS IN A DRAW

Danny Goodman and Dusty Miller, both of Chicago, fought a hard ten-round draw before the Peoria Athletic club at Peoria last night. Flashes of swift rights and lefts marked only by the bying gloves made the fastest as well as the most furious ever witnessed in a local arena. Goodman was best in the earlier rounds but Miller changed his tactics in the latter half of the bout and rushed the little Hebrew about the ring furiously. The decision of Referee Ryan was well received.

In the preliminaries Jack Redmond of Milwaukee was awarded the decision over Johnny King of Chicago in the fourth round of a scheduled eight-round bout. Walter Parker of Chicago won the decision over Jim Duffy at the end of a six-round bout. Goat Ryan of Racine stopped Eddie McGraw of Chicago in the fourth round.

THAT GREENBERG TRIAL.

No one in LaSalle is opposed to prize fights, judging from the result of the second day's work in the "young" Greenberg case. The first jurymen has not yet been accepted and T. E. Jones, Eddie Tancel, Howard Carr and Jimmy Bardell, the defendants, are pleased at developments so far and they feel that they will be exonerated from all blame. The case has stirred up considerable interest at LaSalle and the general impression is that the case will be decided very quickly after the jury is selected. States Attorney Cullen who is leading the prosecution, is taking his time in the examination of the men called and declares he will not rush the matter even if it requires a month to select a jury.

WHAT WAS DONE.

Following is a summary of the work done at the meeting of the American league baseball solons in Chicago yesterday:

Voted unanimously to turn down any request from the American association to put a club in Chicago.

Favorable vote taken on suggestion of National league that world's series be lengthened to nine games.

Treasurer's report shows past season the most successful in history of league.

Sustained President Johnson in fining Cleveland \$300 for delaying game in Detroit. Detroit refused to take fine and money will be refunded with reprimand.

Rules committee instructed to prepare stringent rule to prevent unnecessary delaying of games.

Rules committee instructed to use every effort to get National league to adopt rules to prevent pitchers from soiling balls.

Passed rule making compulsory the playing of all postponed games on first or second day of succeeding series and postponed games of second and third series on next day or days of same series.

Announced season opening will be later next year, but number of games will be the same.

SUBSTITUTE MONEY.

Here is a story that would apply to the free silver craze, one of Bryan's fads, as well as to the late cashier check substitutes for money:

During the recent money panic, caused by the stringency of the currency, a rather humorous interpretation of the question occurred at the bank of Camp Grove. A young German living in the town presented for payment at the bank a check for \$100. Now Mr. Owens, the cashier, like all bankers, was very sparing in paying out his supply of currency. He told him he could pay him \$25 in cash and a draft for the rest. He explained the situation to him fully and added that the draft would answer all the purposes of cash and would be just as good. When asked if he understood, he said, "I think so. It was just this way: Me and mine wife and mine little baby we go to bed one night, and after we been to sleep awhile the little baby wakes up and begins to cry. Then mine wife she gets up from the bed and goes to the cupboard to get some milk for him but when she finds that the milk pitcher was empty she yus gives him a milk ticket, which was shust as good—already yet, yeh!"

ABOUT DOGS.

A German newspaper recently published an account of a London dog show and mentioned the prices at which some of the specimens were held by their owners. "Lady Holland's little Japanese spaniel," said the correspondent, "could not be purchased for less than 200,000 marks, and no one could put a price on Queen Alexandra's prize greyhound. There are, in fact, hundreds of animals on view any one of which is worth a fortune." A few days after the article was published a peasant went to the newspaper office with a large, shaggy mongrel dog and asked to see the man who wrote about the dogs. He is in England," the man was told. "Well," he said, "possibly you can tell me what this animal is worth. My wife wants me to keep him, but if dogs are so valuable I am willing to part with Hans." The publisher smiled and told him that his dog was not of the valuable kind. "Not? Not valuable? Two years ago when my wife and I were both in the fields our hired woman left the children alone and while she was gone the house took fire. The dog ran in and carried down the little one and chased the others out. He saved them all, and you say he's not valuable. What has the 200,000 mark dog done?" "Probably nothing," was the answer, "but he is perfectly bred and beautiful." "Now I understand," said the peasant; "great family and fine clothes—just like our nobles. Come Hans!"

New York hotels have been hard hit by the depression. The great caravansaries where usually it is necessary to engage accommodations several days ahead are now only half filled. Usually, after the opera, the Walcott, Sherry's, Delmonico's, Martin's and other places for supper are crowded until midnight. Now they are not half full and hotel and restaurant keepers are going about with long faces. The great hotels where suites rent as high as \$30,000 and \$40,000 a year are having orders canceled by people who suddenly find themselves stripped of their wealth as the result of the late flurry. Truly this is a rich man's panic and they are the ones who suffer most severely.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Christian church will serve dinner in the church Saturday, Dec. 14, from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m. Chicken pie, mashed potatoes, scalloped corn, cabbage, cranberries, pickles, pie, coffee. 25 cents. Everybody invited.

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SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

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Louis Leydig of 415 East Eighth street, entertained some friends last evening at his home.

The Hamilton club will meet on Saturday afternoon with Miss Rink, at her home on First street.

The Ladies' Aid society of the People's church will hold a meeting with Mrs. Newton, 214 West Third street, Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

St. Agnes Guild announces a sale of home made cooking and of kitchen aprons to be conducted at Tillson's drug store next Saturday afternoon.

The Candlelighters will meet at the home of Mrs. Charles Stiteley, North Galena avenue, Friday at 2:30 p. m. The ladies will please bring their own work.

The Knights of Columbus will give a dance at Rosbrook's hall on Wednesday evening, Dec. 18th. There will be a concert at 8:30. Ferguson's orchestra will furnish the music and a pleasant dancing party is assured.

Miss Edith Dodds, a society young woman of Springfield, has been engaged as reader for one week during the Assembly next August.

Mr. and Mrs. James Feldkirchner have gone to Ashton to attend the wedding of their niece, Miss Laura Shaffer.

The Young Ladies' Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will meet this evening with Miss Sue Steel at her home on North Galena avenue.

Next Wednesday afternoon six handed euchre will be enjoyed by the Elks' wives and their lady friends at the club rooms.

Social Postponed.

The basket social announced for the Nelson school Friday evening of this week will be postponed until after Christmas, as it conflicts with the Cook school social.

The Ladies of the G. A. R. are to participate in the receipts at the Nicklo theatre this evening and invite all their friends to enjoy the entertainment. One feature of the program will be a reading by Miss Rilla E. Webster.

John Dixon lodge, No. 158 of O. M. P., on Tuesday night elected its officers in a well attended meeting.



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SHADOW SOCIAL AT COOK DISTRICT SCHOOL.

There will be a shadow social Cook's district school, you know; it's about four miles from Dixon, From Nelson, two or so.

'Twill be on dear old Friday, When the moon is big and bright, On the 13th of December, At eight o'clock at night.

There's about a two hours' program, 'Twill be god you surely know, For the pupils are bright and witty, And the directors are not slow.

You'll hear the great debaters, John Byers, and Edwards, too; Come listen to the champions; 'Twill drive away the blues.

You'll see the great invention, The greatest of the age, The Humanophone makes the music, Without the turn of a page.

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The ladies please bring baskets, Of course with lunch for two, You don't need a "right swell" basket, For any old box will do.

There'll be many friends to meet you, And greet you with delight, So make up your mind to be "Johnny" And come out next Friday night.

MAUDE CHEATLE, Teacher.

Woodmen Banqueted.

Last evening about one hundred Woodmen and their guests assembled at Maccabee hall to enjoy the banquet prepared for them, rabbit being served in various styles and the menu being composed of all of the good things of the season also. The program as printed in these columns last evening was carried out and was greatly enjoyed, the program being under the direction Miss Shaner of the college. The vocal solos by Miss Franke Radke and Irvin Richardson were excellent as was the instrumental duet by the Misses Gorham and the readings by Miss Shaner were greatly enjoyed. Some splendid toasts were also given. Dancing followed the banquet and the light fantastic toe was tripped until at late hour.

Order some engrave calling cards for your husband for a Christmas gift, that he may make that party call so long put off. Call at this office and see samples.

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A number of young people of the city will give a dance tomorrow evening at the Armory.

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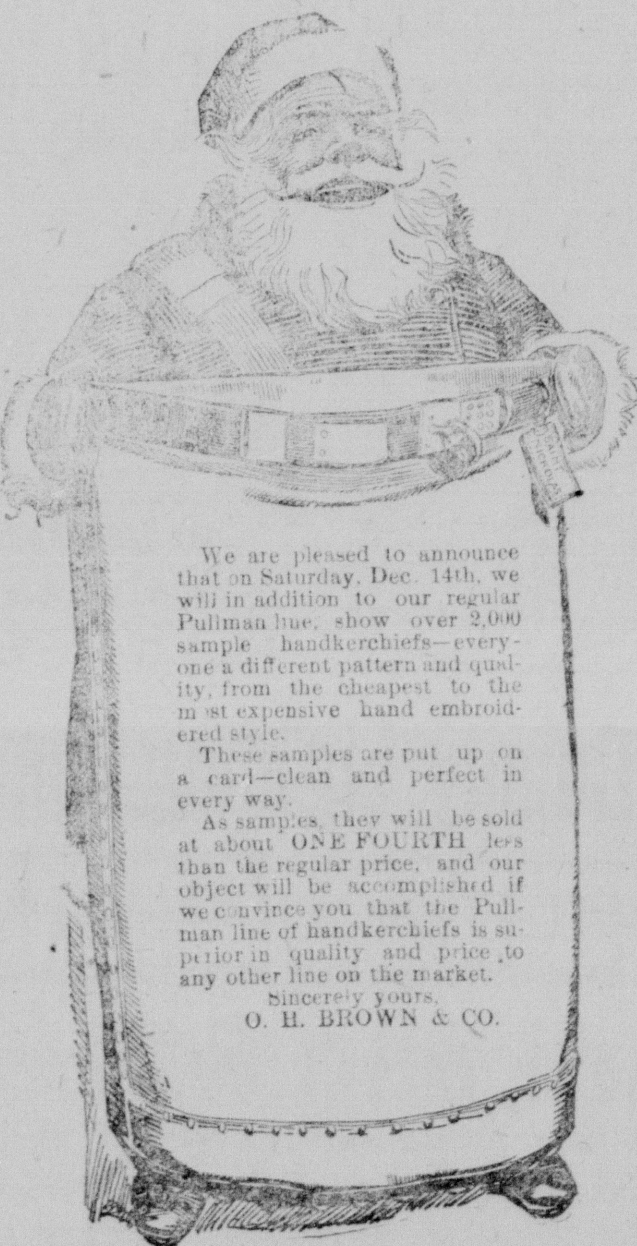
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FOR GOLDFIELD FACTS

President Has Sent a Commission to Find Out the Exact Situation.

HE WANTS FULL INFORMATION

Probers Have Discretion as to How to Get the Same.

Military Commander Given Instructions to Simply Quell Disorder—Gen. Funston En Route to the Mines.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Assistant Secretary Murray, of the department of commerce and labor; Charles P. Neill, commissioner of labor, and Herbert Knox Smith, commissioner of corporations, have left Washington for Goldfield, Nev., to make a thorough investigation of the trouble between the miners and mine operators at that place. Secretary Murray and Commissioner Smith had a conference with President Roosevelt previous to their departure.



BRIGADIER GENERAL FREDERICK FUNSTON. Investigation of the trouble between the miners and mine operators at that place. Secretary Murray and Commissioner Smith had a conference with President Roosevelt previous to their departure.

Instructions to the Troops.
The following instruction was sent to the commanding officer of the troops now at Goldfield by order of the president: "The troops are not sent to take part of either side in a purely industrial dispute as long as it is kept within the bounds of law and order. They are to be neither for nor against the strikers or the employers. They are to prevent riot, violence and disorder, under and in accordance with the constitution and the laws of the land. No man is to be interfered with as long as he conducts himself in a peaceful and orderly manner."

Wants to Know the Facts.
President Roosevelt is anxious to ascertain the exact conditions existing at Goldfield. He has given to the commission named in the foregoing a letter of instructions which is very broad in its character and will enable the commission to make any such investigation into affairs at Goldfield as it may determine upon. The letter is very brief, simply directing the members of the commission to proceed immediately to Goldfield and to make an inquiry into affairs as they exist there and report to him personally. The letter also directs all civil and military authorities to supply the commission with any information bearing upon the situation that they may possess.

Commission Is Given Discretion.
The members of the commission have no idea at present how long they may be engaged in the making of the inquiry, but regard it as improbable that they will return to Washington much under two weeks. While the president discussed the matter informally with the members of the commission he gave them no concrete instructions beyond those contained in his letter, leaving the method of the inquiry to their discretion.

Why the Commission Goes.
Further than the official statements already given no declarations are to be had from any authorized person as to the sudden decision of the administration to take such action as the president did in relation to the Goldfield strike. It is clearly understood, however, among the officials of the war department that the purpose is to forestall adverse criticism upon the dispatch of troops to Goldfield before there had been any actual rioting, and distinct intimations that such criticism would be forthcoming were not lacking in labor circles.

FUNSTON ALSO WANTS FACTS

En Route to Goldfield to Look Over the Ground.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 12.—General Frederick Funston passed through this city on his way to Goldfield, Nev., where he goes to investigate the causes that have led to the calling out of troops to quell any possible trouble on the part of the striking miners. "I am going to Nevada simply to familiarize myself with the situation so as to make a report of the conditions there to the war department at Washington," said General Funston.

"Up to the present time neither the department at Washington nor I myself have been able to get much information of a definite character as to what is going on there. I intend to interview the governor and get his view on the situation. I will also talk with the leading citizens, the mine owners and the miners themselves. When I return I shall make a full report of the situation to the war department. Up

to the present we have been largely in the fog."

General Funston said he would not take command of the troops or engage in any of the movements.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 12.—President Roosevelt's communication from Washington to Colonel Alfred Reynolds, in command of the federal troops at Goldfield, was posted in conspicuous places throughout the city. There is no evidence on the surface that any of the terrible scenes of the Cripple Creek and Coner d'Alene strikers are to be repeated here.

All the men employed in the city by the Nevada-California Power company have walked out in resistance to the cut in wages announced by the Mine Owners' association. They are principally maintenance men and line men. The strike will not affect the bringing in of power from Bishop, Cal., fifty miles away unless a break occurs on the line, in which event there will be nobody to repair it.

JAILBIRD WORTH A MILLION

Can't Get Out Until He Serves His Full Time for Attempting a Fraud.

Pittsburg, Dec. 12.—E. M. Seymour, a Chicago attorney and representative of Claude Lumley, a London solicitor, brought news to Reginald Spaulding, also known as Oscar P. Spate, a jail prisoner, that his mother had just died leaving him property worth \$1,000,000 in England and Wales. Seymour sought to have Spate released, offering to pay the fine and costs, but the court ruled that the remaining eighteen days of the sentence must be served.

Spate advertised for a secretary who would put up money and go with him to the Congo State and bring back for museum exhibits a number of natives to show the cruelties of the government. It was also testified that Spate had represented himself as the son of a leading English family and had sought to bargain with wealthy Pittsburgers to introduce them into exclusive and court circles.

ENTOMBED FOR A WEEK

Three Miners Who Have Been Given Food Enough for Another Week They Will Be Confined.

Reno, Nev., Dec. 12.—Three miners, Brown, McDonald and Bailey, who have been entombed for a week in a drift at the 110-foot level of the Alpha shaft of the Giroux mine at Ely, are still alive, and are able to communicate with the miners at the top of the shaft. They have been given enough food through a six-inch water pipe connecting the drift with the surface to last them a week and in case this pipe is broken they will not die of starvation or thirst. The work of clearing the shaft is progressing slowly and it is not believed the men will be rescued for at least another week.

Here's a Stray Wireless.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—The Kley station of the wireless telegraph line which the Russian government is constructing to connect Sebastopol with St. Petersburg has picked up trans-Atlantic messages, including a number of press dispatches sent from the United States. Messages transmitted from Paris and Casablanca also have been taken. The distance from Kley of Glace Bay, the point from which wireless messages are started for Ireland, is approximately 3,750 miles.

John Mitchell at Indianapolis.
Indianapolis, Dec. 12.—John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, visited national headquarters for the first time since his recent severe illness. He is improving in health and will leave today for New York to attend the annual meeting of the National Civic Federation.

Big Money in Payrolls.

Pittsburg, Dec. 12.—Between now and Christmas employees of the big coal companies operating in the Pittsburg district will be paid over \$2,000,000. On the regular semi-monthly pay next Saturday \$1,175,000 will be distributed.

NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE

Dick has introduced in the senate a bill establishing a naval militia and placing it upon practically the same footing with the government as the national guard.

Harry C. Pulliam has been re-elected president of the National Base Ball League for the sixth time.

Hopkinsville, Ky., is threatened with another attack by "night riders," and Governor Willson has ordered reinforcement of the militia now there.

The city elections in Massachusetts show a no-license majority of over 13,000 votes.

A story from Pickens county, South Carolina, that a score or more negroes had been killed in a race riot is pronounced false.

The bid of Mrs. Louis Taft, widow of the late Judge Alphonse Taft, who died at her home in Millbury, Mass., has arrived at Cincinnati for burial.

John Busha, aged 114 years, is dead at Edmondson hospital, Council Bluffs, Ia. Busha took part in the Black Hawk war in 1832.

The total number of corpses recovered from the two ill-fated mines at Monongah, W. Va., so far is 234.

Many mills and factories in the Pittsburg district which have been shut down or running on reduced hours, have resumed on full time.

For four hours at Boise, Ida., in the trial of George A. Pettibone for the murder of ex-Governor Steunenberg Harry Orchard was on the witness stand, re-telling the story he told at Haywood's trial.

WHY SO WEAK?

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When a healthy man or woman begins to run down without apparent cause, becomes weak, languid, depressed, suffers backache, headache, dizzy spells and urinary disorders, look to the kidneys for the cause of it all. Keep the kidneys well and they will keep you well. Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys and keep them well. Here is a Dixon testimony to prove it:

Thomas Brookner of 427 College avenue, Dixon, Ill., writes, "I was troubled with kidney complaint for over twenty years. During that time I was unable to do any lifting. I was unable to sit or lie comfortably in any position for any length of time. My back was so weak it caused me much pain. I was unable to rest at night, and would wake up many times during the night. When I arose in the morning I would not feel as though I had any rest at all, and would be lame and stiff across my back and loins. I consulted physicians, but their remedies gave me no relief. Doan's Kidney Pills were finally recommended to me by a friend and I procured a box at Leake Bros.' drug store and took them in accordance with the directions. In a short time I was feeling much better and after continuing the use of Doan's Kidney Pills for a few weeks I was completely cured, and have not been troubled with any form of kidney trouble since. Doan's Kidney Pills I consider the surest and safest kidney remedy there is."

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The way to get rid of a cold whether it be a "bad cold" or just a little one, is to get it out of your system through the bowels. Nearly all Cough Cures, especially those that contain opiates, are constipating. Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup contains no opiates and acts gently on the bowels. Pleasant to take. Sold by Rowland Bros.

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THIRD TERM? NEVER!

President Roosevelt Reiterates What He Said on Election Evening in 1904.

WILL NOT ACCEPT NOMINATION

Under No Circumstances, He Declares, Will He Run Again.

Has Not Changed His Mind Since His Announcement Three Years Ago—National Democratic Committee.

Washington, Dec. 12.—President Roosevelt will not be a candidate for a third term. All doubt on this point has been dispelled by the authoritative statement from the White House that Roosevelt still adheres to the declaration.



WHEN HE IS STRENUOUS.

tion of renunciation made on the night of the election three years ago. In the statement President Roosevelt says he has not changed and shall not change the decision communicated to the people of the United States in 1904.

Waited the Convention Call.

It appears that President Roosevelt had been awaiting the call for the Republican national convention to afford the proper opportunity for making his position clear and unmistakable, thus leaving the field clear for Fairbanks, Taft, Cannon, Knox, Foraker, and other declared or receptive candidates for the Republican nomination. The president's statement follows:

Text of Roosevelt's Statement.

"On the night after election I made the following announcement: 'I am deeply sensible of the honor done me by the American people in this expressing their confidence in what I have done and have tried to do. I appreciate to the full the solemn responsibility this confidence imposes upon me, and I shall do all that in my power lies not to forfeit it. On the 4th of March next I shall have served three and a half years, and this three and a half years constitute my first term. The wise custom which limits the president to two terms regards the substance and not the form, and under no circumstances will I be a candidate for or accept another nomination.' I have not changed and shall not change the decision thus announced."

LEAVES NO ELEMENT OF DOUBT

Except in Case of a Stampede—Democrats Highly Pleased.

The announcement that the president would not accept the Republican nomination if tendered was the subject of talk in all circles here when it became known, but among those who learned of it—Democrats and Republicans alike—the feeling was general that it left no element of doubt in the presidential situation, so far as relates to the third term talk, and that it definitely eliminates Roosevelt from the contest now being waged. Some Democrats, however, express a belief that a Roosevelt stampede in the Republican convention would shake his resolution, and that he would prove no exception to the historic precedent that no citizen of the United States ever refused a presidential nomination.

Administration Republicans declare that the announcement gives a great impetus to the Taft boom, while the Democrats are shouting that it means "Bryan in a walk." Speaker Cannon, when shown the president's statement, said: "The president speaks for himself. It would be useless and inappropriate for me to attempt to interpret the president's words." Neither would Foraker talk.

Senator Tillman said the president had seen the "handwriting on the wall."

Chairman Taggart, of the national Democratic committee: "It shows that he is the kind of man I thought he was. I think most persons took him at his word the very time, and he is simply showing what a great many persons know, that he is an honest man and a man of his word."

COMMENTS BY BRYAN

Took the President at His Word in November of 1904.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 12.—When told that President Roosevelt had made positive declaration that he will not be

a candidate for a third term W. J. Bryan expressed no surprise. He declared that the position of the president was as he expected. Bryan said:

"I have assumed from the beginning that President Roosevelt would not be a candidate. The statement he issued the night of election left no room for misunderstanding, and I have felt that his friends were doing him an injustice in suggesting that he would change his position on the subject."

LOOKS LIKE HUGHES TO THEM

New Yorkers So Interpret the White House Statement.

New York, Dec. 12.—The official announcement from the White House that President Roosevelt would not accept a renomination was received with interest, but hardly with surprise, by party leaders here. The president generally had been taken at his word, and those in whose political judgment most confidence is felt had anticipated the statement.

While it was pointed out that the argument that the president might, by sheer force of circumstances, be compelled to accept a third term nomination against his will was as potent as ever, the consensus of opinion among those seen was that Roosevelt's clear and decisive language had taken him out of the situation. The suggestion that Roosevelt could consistently accept a "second elective" term was disposed of. It was thought by the president's own words.

It was generally agreed that the elimination of Roosevelt's name brought that of Governor Hughes as New York's candidate sharply to the front.

LOOKS VERY LIKE LOUISVILLE

Chicago Not Hurrying to Get the Democratic Convention.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The situation with reference to the selection by the Democratic national committee, which is in session here, of a place for holding the next Democratic national convention has so simplified itself that practically all candidates for the honor have been eliminated except Chicago, Louisville and Denver. Chicago holds favorite place in the estimation of a great many of the committeemen, but the frank statement of Roger Sullivan, who represents Illinois on the national committee, that it would be difficult to raise enough money to pay the expenses of the convention has a dampening effect.

The Denver delegation is mixing freely with the committeemen and impresses upon every one with whom it comes in contact the fact that the city's readiness and willingness to pay \$100,000 to secure the convention, Louisville also is represented by a strong delegation, headed by Senator McCrory and Representative Shirley, and indications are favorable to that city. The delegates named no final sum, but said they were prepared to offer the best convention hall in the country and expected to pay all the expenses of the convention if it should go to their city.

The distance of Denver from the center of population is the principal objection to that city, and this probably will be balanced by the inducement which the big sum offered constitutes. The outlook is therefore favorable to Louisville if that city gives sufficient assurance to the committee that it can take care of the convention and will pay all the expenses.

Finding that the committeemen had come here with no apparent concert of opinion regarding the place where the convention should be held Mayor Tom Johnson got in touch by long-distance telephone with some of the leading men of Cleveland, and it is understood that as a result Cleveland will be prepared to make a bid for the honor of the convention and that its proposition will be worth considering.

It is almost definitely settled that the convention will be held after the Republican convention, beginning the 23d or 30th of June. There is no talk of any candidate except Bryan.

PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER ILL

Mrs. Nicholas Longworth Has Appendicitis and Must Undergo an Operation Soon.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, wife of Representative Longworth, of Ohio, and daughter of President Roosevelt, is ill at the White House, suffering from appendicitis. It is stated that Dr. Finney, of Johns Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, will perform an operation soon.

Congress in Brief.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Passionate oratory marked the proceedings of the senate. Senator Jefferson Davis, of Arkansas, who when elected declared that he would attack the trusts immediately after taking his seat, fulfilled his promise. The speech was a roast for all kinds of trusts and its spirit was "exterminate them." He spoke for a little over an hour. An executive session was held.

The house was not in session.

She Pleads Against Lynch Law. Chippewa Falls, Wis., Dec. 12.—With her young daughter in a precarious condition as the result of an assault by Fritz Tedesen Mrs. John Fryske begged enraged citizens not to carry out threats of lynching Tedesen, who was captured and placed in the jail at Neillsville.

Two Drown While Skating. Walker, Minn., Dec. 12.—Miss Lola Bright, of Walker, and Walter Johnson, of Robbinsdale, were drowned while skating on Leech lake.

Small Boy—Say Mister, dere's a sign in yore window readin' 'Boy Wanted.' Wot kind of a boy does youse want?

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Recent government warnings as to the exhaustion of the forests of the country cause little concern in Oregon, which reports 300,000,000 feet of timber standing, more than any other state in the Union and one-sixth of the entire supply of the United States. At the present rate of consumption, not allowing for any new growth, Oregon's timber supply, it is estimated, would last one hundred and fifty years. The most productive area lies west of the Cascades where the average standing timber is 17,700 feet to the acre, but many tracts are young that yield 50,000 feet, and single logs that in the form of sawed lumber are worth from \$50 to \$100 are reported to be commonplace. Federal withdrawal of extensive forest reserves and the state's new law for the protection of its forests are depended upon to prolong indefinitely the existence of Oregon's timber supply as its principal source of revenue. A dispatch says that there is enough timber in Oregon to build a solid board fence fifty feet high around the entire United States.

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